

What is “The 30 By 30 Campaign”?

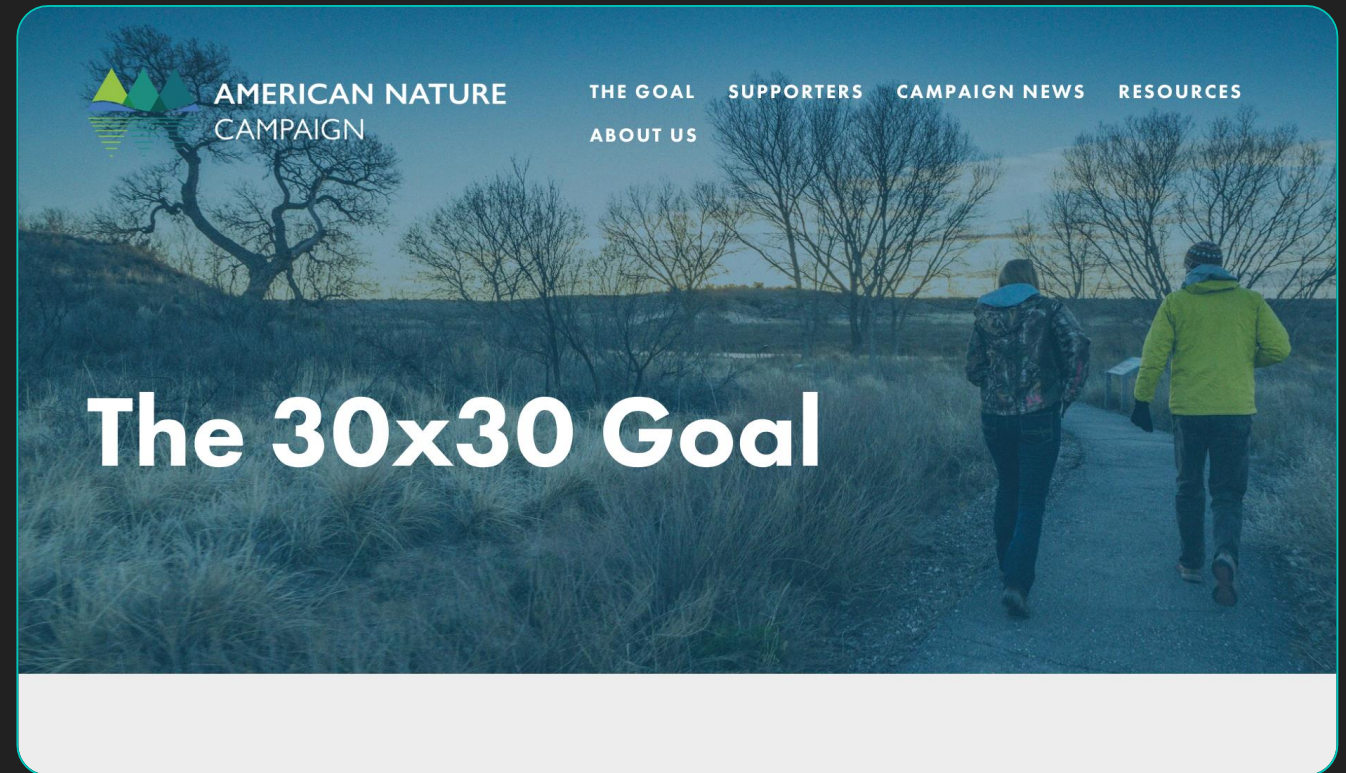
What Could It Mean for Utah (and the nation) ?

Rep. Keven Stratton

What is 30x30?

“...protect 30% of the earth’s lands and waters by 2030, with the ultimate goal of keeping 50% natural. In the United States, only 12% of land is currently protected.”

https://www.nrdc.org/experts/sharon-buccino/red-rocks-role-saving-nature?utm_source=twitter&utm_medium=organic&utm_campaign=Nature



Who is behind the 30 X 30 Goal?

Acadia Institute of Oceanography

Alaska Chapter of the Inland Ocean Coalition

Alaska Wilderness League Action

Amargosa Conservancy

American Littoral Society

American Rivers

Appalachian Trail Conservancy

Association of Zoos and Aquariums

Azul

Banks of the Wabash

Blue Ocean Society for Marine Conservation

Blue Planet Strategies

Bold Alliance

Friends of Gold Butte

Friends of Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks

Friends of the Earth

Friends of the Inyo

Friends of the Lost Coast

Friends of the Mariana Trench

Friends of the WI Wolf & Wildlife

Gila Resources Information Project

Grand Canyon Trust

Grand Staircase Escalante Partners

Great Lakes Chapter of the Inland Ocean Coalition

Great Lakes Wildlife Alliance

Great Old Broads for Wilderness

Greater Hells Canyon Council

Ocean Conservancy

Ocean River Institute

Oceana

Oceanic Preservation Society

Ohio Environmental Council

Openlands

Oregon Natural Desert Association

Oregon Wild

Pacific Environment

Patagonia

Predator Defense

Public Citizen

REI Co-op

Rocky Mountain Wild

San Juan Citizens Alliance

Who is behind the 30 X 30 Goal?

California Chaparral Institute

California League of Conservation Voters

California Native Plant Society

California Wilderness Coalition

Californians for Western Wilderness

Center for American Progress

Center for Biological Diversity

Center for Large Landscape Conservation

Central Colorado Wilderness Coalition

Central Texas Chapter of the Inland Ocean Coalition

Chesapeake Conservancy

Chispa Arizona

Coalition for Sonoran Desert Protection

Coalition to Protect America's National Parks

Greater Hens Canyon Council

GreenLatinos

Greenpeace

Heal the Bay

Heartwood

Hispanic Access Foundation

Illinois Chapter of the Inland Ocean Coalition

Illinois Environmental Council

Indiana Forest Alliance

Inland Ocean Coalition

Inland Ocean Coalition Buffalo Chapter

International Ocean Film Festival

International Fund for Animal Welfare

International Marine Mammal Project of Earth Island Institute

San Juan Citizens Alliance

San Luis Valley Ecosystem Council

Sanctuary Forest, Inc.

SandyHook SeaLife Foundation

Save Our Shores

Save the Manatee Club

Seacoast Science Center

Seattle Aquarium

Sequoia ForestKeeper®

Shedd Aquarium

Sierra Club

Soda Mountain Wilderness Council

Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance

Surfrider Foundation

The Conservation Foundation

Who is behind the 30 X 30 Goal?

Partners

Coastal Research and Education Society of Long Island

Coastwalk/California Coastal Trail Association

Colorado Chapter of the Inland Ocean Coalition

Colorado Native Plant Society

Colorado State University Chapter of the Inland Ocean Coalition

Conejos Clean Water

Connecticut League of Conservation Voters

Conservation Alabama

Conservation Alliance

Conservation Colorado

Conservation International

Conservation Lands Foundation

John Muir Project

Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse & Museum

Klamath Forest Alliance

Land Trust Alliance

Last Tree Laws

League of Conservation Voters

Los Padres ForestWatch

Maine Conservation Voters

Marine Conservation Institute

Michigan League of Conservation Voters

Mission Blue

Montana Chapter of the Inland Ocean Coalition

Montana Wilderness Association

Monterey Bay Aquarium

Mystic Aquarium

The Conservation Fund

The Enviro Show

The Mountain Pact

The Nature Conservancy

The Ocean Project

The Rewilding Institute

The Trust for Public Land

The Whale Guitar Project

The Wilderness Society

Tuleyome

Turtle Island Restoration Network

Unexpected Wildlife Refuge

Upper Gila Watershed Alliance

Utah Chapter of the Inland Ocean Coalition

Ventana Wilderness Alliance

Who is behind the 30 X 30 Goal?

Conservation Lands Foundation

Conservation Law Foundation

Conservation Minnesota

Conservation Voters of Pennsylvania

Conservation Voters of South Carolina

Conserve Southwest Utah

Corazon Latino

Defenders of Wildlife

Dolores River Boating Advocates

Earth Ethics, Inc

Earthjustice

EcoFlight

Endangered Habitats League

Endangered Species Coalition

Environment America

Environmental Defense Center

Mystic Aquarium

Nassau Hiking & Outdoor Club

National Aquarium

National Audubon Society

National Ocean Protection Coalition

National Parks Conservation Association

National Wildlife Federation

Native American Land Conservancy

Natural Resources Defense Council

North Carolina League of Conservation
Voters

Nevada Conservation League

New England Aquarium

New Jersey Conservation Foundation

New Jersey League of Conservation Voters

New Mexico Wild

Ventana Wilderness Alliance

Virginia Aquarium & Marine Science Center

Western Environmental Law Center

Western Leaders Network

Western Slope Conservation Center

Western Values Project

Western Watersheds Project

Wild Arizona

Wild Connections

WildEarth Guardians

Wilderness Workshop

Wilderness Workshop

Wildlands Network

Wildlife Conservation Society / New York
Aquarium

Winter Wildlands Alliance

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Earthjustice	North Carolina League of Conservation Voters	Wilderness Workshop
EcoFlight	Nevada Conservation League	Wilderness Workshop
Endangered Habitats League	New England Aquarium	Wildlands Network
Endangered Species Coalition	New Jersey Conservation Foundation	Wildlife Conservation Society / New York Aquarium
Environment America	New Jersey League of Conservation Voters	Winter Wildlands Alliance
Environmental Defense Center	New Mexico Wild	Women Working for Oceans - W2O
Environmental League of MA	New York League of Conservation Voters	World Wildlife Fund
Environmental Protection Information Center	North Texas Chapter of the Inland Ocean Coalition	WSL PURE
Exocetus Autonomous Systems	Northeastern Minnesotans for Wilderness	Wyoming Chapter of the Inland Ocean Coalition
Friends and Neighbors of the Deschutes Canyon Area	Northwest Center for Alternatives to Pesticides	Yellowstone to Yukon Conservation Initiative
Friends of Big Morongo Canyon Preserve	Nuestra Tierra	

“Ahead of Biden’s inauguration, these groups, spearheaded by the Center for Biological Diversity, presented him with a progressive “Climate President” action plan and model executive order. The Center has been leading the call to reinstate the crude oil export ban under a climate emergency declaration since 2016.”

December 16, 2020 – 350 Organizations Urge Biden to Sign Climate Emergency Executive Order



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Biden Urged to Sign Climate Emergency Executive Order

WASHINGTON— More than 380 groups today called on President-elect Joe Biden to sign an executive order to confront the climate emergency with the full power of the executive branch as soon as he takes office.

The groups presented Biden with a draft [executive order](#) with a suite of actions the president can take under existing law to phase out fossil fuels, protect workers and communities and “build back better” to a just, clean-energy economy.

“Our house is ablaze with a fire fanned by Trump for four years,” said Kassie Siegel, director of the Center for Biological Diversity’s Climate Law Institute and one of the key authors of the order. “There’s no time to lose. Biden must take bold action the moment he steps into the Oval Office, without punting to a dysfunctional Congress. This order is the road map for Biden to be the climate president we need.”

The executive order begins with the declaration of a climate emergency under the National Emergencies Act. That statute, which has been used by every president since it was passed in 1976, unlocks special powers for the president and federal agencies. The groups are urging Biden to use those emergency powers for two key actions: reinstating the ban on crude oil exports and redirecting a portion of military spending to clean-energy infrastructure.

The rest of the climate actions can be accomplished with ordinary executive powers under existing law. They

#ClimatePresident Action Plan

TAKE ACTION - JOIN THE #BUILDBACKFOSSILFREE CAMPAIGN CALLING ON PRESIDENT JOE BIDEN TO FOLLOW THROUGH AS THE #CLIMATEPRESIDENT



THE **#CLIMATEPRESIDENT** ACTION PLAN:

10 STEPS FOR THE NEXT ADMINISTRATION'S FIRST **10** DAYS

Delivered to president elect-Biden December 16, 2020

<https://www.climatepresident.org/#list>

“TEN ESSENTIAL CLIMATE ACTIONS THE NEXT PRESIDENT CAN TAKE WITHOUT CONGRESS”

1. “**Declare a national climate emergency** under the National Emergencies Act.”
2. “**Keep fossil fuels in the ground.**”
3. “**Stop fossil fuel exports** and infrastructure approvals.”
4. “**Shift financial flows from fossil fuels** to climate solutions.”
5. “Use the Clean Air Act to set a science-based national pollution cap for greenhouse gas pollutants. Then, **use all Clear Air Act programs to drive emissions towards zero economy-wide.**”
6. “Power the electricity sector with **100% clean and renewable energy by 2030** and promote energy democracy.”
7. “**Launch a just transition** to protect our communities, workers, and economy.”
8. “**Advance Climate Justice:** Direct federal agencies to assess and mitigate environmental harms to disproportionately impacted Indigenous Peoples, People and Communities of Color, and low-wealth communities.”
9. “**Make polluters pay:** Investigate and prosecute fossil fuel polluters for the damages they have caused. Commit to veto all legislation that grants legal immunity for polluters, undermines existing environmental laws, or advances false solutions.”
10. “**Rejoin the Paris Agreement** and lead with science-based commitments that ensure that the United States, as a the world’s largest cumulative historical emitter, contributes its fair share and advances climate justice.”

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Opinion: How Joe Biden can act boldly to address the climate crisis



The melted sign of the Oak Park Motel, destroyed by wildfire near Salem, Ore., in September. (Rob Schumacher/AFP/Getty Images)

Opinion by **Jeff Merkley**

Dec. 21, 2020 at 5:00 a.m. MST

Jeff Merkley, a Democrat, represents Oregon in the U.S. Senate.

This September, as [Oregon wildfires](#) raged, I drove more than 600 miles up and down our state and never once broke free from a thick cloud of hazardous smoke. I saw towns that had been completely incinerated. I heard the heartbreak, fear and frustration of Oregonians who fled their homes to save



Sen. Jeff Merkley (D-OR)
December 21, 2020

“But we cannot wait. **We need bold executive action ...**

The National Emergencies Act (NEA) and the Defense Production Act (DPA) **give the president broad powers to act in the national interest during grave national emergencies.”**


April 20, 2016 Legal Petition Pushes President Obama to End Crude Oil Exports, Declare Climate Emergency

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350 Organizations Back Effort to Protect Climate, Communities From Fracking Pollution Linked to Exporting U.S. Oil

WASHINGTON— As the Obama administration prepares to sign the Paris climate agreement, 350 environmental, social-justice, health and faith organizations filed a [legal petition](#) today urging President Barack Obama to declare a national climate emergency and end all U.S. crude oil exports. The ban would keep millions of tons of greenhouse gas pollution from escaping into the atmosphere and worsening the climate crisis.

Today's petition, organized by the Center for Biological Diversity and Food & Water Watch, calls on the president to immediately halt the export of crude oil under executive legal authority granted to him by the 2016 Appropriations Act and the National Emergencies Act.

As global temperatures hit record highs, the petition points out that "climate change is unquestionably a national emergency." It also notes that halting crude exports is essential to the Paris Agreement's goal "to limit global warming to 1.5 degrees Celsius above preindustrial levels."

The petition filing comes two days before the landmark climate agreement reached last year is signed in New York. The president signed an omnibus bill lifting the 40-year-old export ban in December, less than a week after agreeing to the Paris climate accord.

"President Obama must halt crude exports to give us a fighting chance to meet the Paris Agreement's crucial climate goals," said the Center's Jean Su. "The president has the legal authority to reverse the terrible mistake he made in approving an end to the longstanding ban on crude exports. He has to seize this opportunity to protect our climate and U.S. communities from drilling and




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Will Senate wins unlock Biden's 100% clean energy agenda? January 7, 2021

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Lesley Clark and Peter Behr, E&E News reporters • Published: Thursday, January 7, 2021



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“An emergency climate mobilization?”

“380 climate action groups to petitioned Biden last month to wield presidential authority under separate federal laws to **order accelerated federal investment in wind, solar and battery installations.**

“It presented Biden with a draft executive order that would **declare a climate emergency** under the 1976 National Emergencies Act (NEA), using it to **reinstate the federal ban on crude oil exports and divert part of the military budget to invest in clean energy infrastructure.** The order also would use the **Clean Air Act to restrict greenhouse gas emissions ...**”

<https://www.eenews.net/stories/1063721987>

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“mobilize U.S. production of clean energy technologies under the Defense Production Act (DPA). Another order would direct the secretaries of Energy and Defense to use the authority of the DPA to mobilize domestic production of clean and renewable energy on a six-month deadline.

“The point of the DPA order is to jump-start the clean energy economy, and then we look at utilities, community solar providers and [municipal power authorities] to purchase the power,” said Jean Su, staff attorney with the Center for Biological Diversity, an organizer of the climate action group petition.”

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President Joe Biden starts process to restore Utah's national monuments

January 21, 2021

“Within the first few hours of taking the oath of office, the White House said the new president signed an executive order calling for, among other moves safeguarding the environment, a review of the boundaries set for Bears Ears designated by President Barack Obama in 2016, and Grand Staircase-Escalante, designated by President Bill Clinton in 1996. Biden’s order highlights the impermanence and perhaps futility of Trump’s gesture that severely shrunk those boundaries, currently the subject of five consolidated lawsuits that may soon be rendered moot.”

<https://www.sltrib.com/news/environment/2021/01/20/biden-starts-process/>

President Joe Biden starts process to restore Utah's national monuments

Utah's Republican leaders call on Biden to tap brakes, work for consensus solution for Bears Ears, Grand Staircase.



(Evan Vucci | AP) President Joe Biden waits to sign his first executive order in the Oval Office of the White House on Wednesday, Jan. 20, 2021, in Washington. An order starting the restoration of original boundaries to Bears Ears National Monument and Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument were expected to be among the initial orders signed.

By Brian Maffly, Zak Podmore and Taylor Stevens | Jan. 20, 2021, 4:00 p.m.
| Updated: Jan. 21, 2021, 5:54 p.m.

Bears Ears and Grand Staircase-Escalante national monuments may soon be enlarged.

Acting on a pledge he made as a candidate, President Joe Biden on Wednesday initiated a first step toward restoring the boundaries of the two formerly large Utah national monuments that Donald Trump had reduced by 2 million acres as a political favor to Utah

**1,870 jurisdictions in
33 countries have
declared a climate
emergency.**

Posted on 4 February 2021



LOCAL GOVERNMENTS COUNTING

On the list below are only included jurisdictions that have passed a *binding* motion declaring a climate emergency

“Sanders, Ocasio-Cortez, Blumenauer aim to require Biden to declare climate emergency”

“‘We are out of time and excuses. Our country is in crisis and, to address it, we will have to mobilize our social and economic resources on a massive scale,’ Ocasio-Cortez said in a statement.”

“‘If we want to ensure that our nation has an equitable economic recovery and prevent yet another life-altering crisis - then we have to start by calling this moment what it is, a national emergency,’ she added.” February 4, 2021

<https://thehill.com/policy/energy-environment/537338-sanders-ocasio-cortez-aim-to-require-biden-to-declare-climate>

<https://climateemergencydeclaration.org/climate-emergency-declarations-cover-15-million-citizens/>



Congressional Bill Urges Biden to Declare Climate Emergency

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Congressional Bill Urges Biden to Declare Climate Emergency

Measure Backed by Hundreds of Climate, Justice Organizations

WASHINGTON— Sens. Bernie Sanders (I-Vt.) and Jeff Merkley (D-Ore.) and Reps. Earl Blumenauer (D-Ore.) and Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D-N.Y.) introduced a [bill](#) today that would require President Joe Biden to use the power he already has to declare a climate emergency under the National Emergencies Act.

Under such a declaration, President Biden could take concrete steps to steer the economy away from climate catastrophe and toward a sustainable, just future. These include reinstating the crude oil exports ban and directing military funds toward wide-scale renewable energy construction. The president can also marshal private industry to develop clean transportation and power generation, creating millions of high-quality jobs.

"This bill heeds the sirens calling for urgent climate action," said Jean Su, [energy justice](#) director and a staff attorney at the [Center for Biological Diversity](#). "The president already has the power to declare a climate emergency, and now Congress is urging him to use it. Deadly wildfires, storms and heat waves are ravaging the country and the world with increasing intensity. It's vital for Congress to pass this bill and for President Biden to use his existing emergency powers to move us toward a just and livable planet."

The bill calls on Biden to invest in large-scale mitigation and resiliency projects, including upgrading infrastructure to expand access to clean energy, especially for communities of color that have been disproportionately impacted by climate harm.

It follows a years-long campaign by nearly 750 climate and environmental justice groups urging the president to declare a climate emergency and fully use the emergency powers that Congress allows in the face of a crisis.

Ahead of Biden's inauguration, these groups, spearheaded by the Center, presented him with a progressive "[Climate President](#)" action plan and model [executive order](#). The Center has been [leading the call](#) to reinstate the crude oil export ban under a climate emergency declaration since 2016.

"While President Biden's climate executive order is a strong first step, declaring a climate emergency will call this crisis what it is and level up the tools we have to confront it," said Su. "Out of the devastation of the coronavirus and the Trump administration, the president must seize this singular chance to build back a just and clean energy system that both tackles the climate crisis and the wretched racism embedded in it."

The bill's introduction follows several prominent political calls for a climate emergency declaration. Last week Majority Leader Chuck Schumer said during a prime-time [national television](#) appearance that President Biden should use emergency powers that offer greater flexibility to address the climate crisis. In December Sen. Jeff Merkley issued the same call in the [Washington Post](#).

The Center for Biological Diversity is a national, nonprofit conservation organization with more than 1.7 million members and online activists dedicated to the protection of endangered species and wild places.

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.....
(Original Signature of Member)

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To require the President to declare a national climate emergency under the National Emergencies Act, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. BLUMENAUER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

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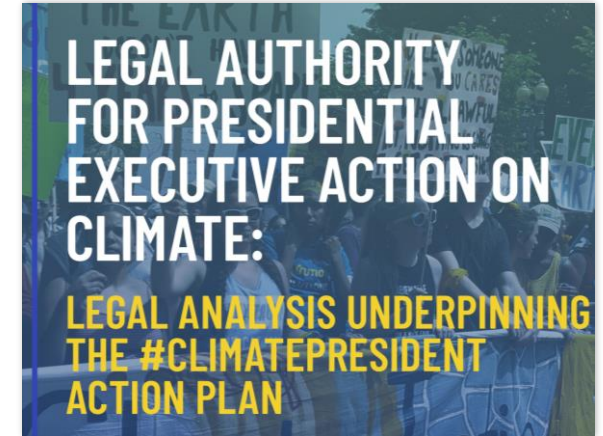
February 4, 2021

“The United States—and the planet—face an indisputable climate emergency. The solution to the crisis is also inarguable: We must transform our extractive economy to a regenerative and inclusive one, which **includes rapidly converting our energy generation and transportation sectors to 100% clean and renewable energy and eliminating the production and consumption of fossil fuels.”**



Unbounded Executive Action under the National Emergencies Act (NEA) and the Defense Production Act (DPA)

Declaring a national emergency, pursuant to the National Emergencies Act, will unlock specific executive emergency powers enumerated in more than 130 statutes including unilaterally diverting military spending to renewable energy projects under the **Defense Production Act (DPA)**.



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“Sec. 102. ...promote **ending international financing of carbon-intensive fossil fuel-based energy** while simultaneously advancing sustainable development and a green recovery...”



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By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, it is hereby ordered as follows:

PART I – PUTTING THE CLIMATE CRISIS AT THE CENTER OF UNITED STATES FOREIGN POLICY AND NATIONAL SECURITY

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“Sec. 201. Policy. ... we face **a climate crisis that threatens** our people and communities, public health and economy, and, starkly, **our ability to live on planet Earth**. Despite the peril that is already evident, there is promise in the solutions — opportunities to **create well-paying union jobs** to build a modern and sustainable infrastructure, **deliver an equitable, clean energy future**, and put the United States on a path to **achieve net-zero emissions, economy-wide**, by no later than 2050.”



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“Sec. 202. **White House Office of Domestic Climate Policy**. ... All agencies shall cooperate with the Climate Policy Office...to facilitate the organization and deployment of a **Government-wide approach to combat the climate crisis**. ... **deliver environmental justice**; and spur **well-paying union jobs** and economic growth. ...engage on these matters with **State, local, Tribal, and territorial governments**; workers and communities; and leaders across the various sectors of our economy ... **prioritize action on climate change** in their policy-making and budget processes, in their **contracting and procurement, and in their engagement with State, local, Tribal, and territorial governments**; workers and communities; and leaders across all the sectors of our economy.”



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“Sec. 204. Lead the Nation’s effort to combat the climate crisis by example — specifically, by aligning the management of **Federal procurement** and real property, **public lands** and waters, and **financial programs to support robust climate action.**”



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“Sec. 204. Develop[] a comprehensive plan to **create union jobs** and **stimulate clean energy industries**...The plan shall aim to... achieve or facilitate: (i) **a carbon pollution-free electricity sector** no later than 2035 (ii) **clean and zero-emission vehicles** for Federal, **State, local,** and Tribal government fleets...”



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“The Fiscal and Economic Impacts of Federal Onshore Oil and Gas Lease Moratorium and Drilling Ban Policies”

Dr. Timothy J. Considine
Professor of Energy Economics
School of Energy Resources
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December 14, 2020

“Under a drilling ban these **cumulative losses are \$40.5 billion near term and \$168 billion during the last five years from 2036 through 2040.** Lower investment directly lowers gross national product so these investment losses may have national economic implications for steel and other oil and gas support industries outside the study region, which are beyond the scope of this study.”

Table ES1: Average annual investment losses in millions of dollars

	Leasing Moratorium			
	2021-25	2025-30	2031-35	2036-40
Wyoming	\$2,311	\$4,762	\$6,917	\$8,770
New Mexico	\$2,625	\$3,594	\$4,681	\$5,988
Colorado	\$586	\$1,095	\$1,508	\$1,870
Utah	\$248	\$406	\$547	\$698
North Dakota	\$279	\$358	\$467	\$601
Montana	\$56	\$112	\$169	\$224
California	\$317	\$650	\$985	\$1,307
Alaska	\$412	\$1,525	\$6,932	\$13,451
Total Average	\$6,835	\$12,503	\$22,206	\$32,908
5-Year Total	\$34,176	\$62,517	\$111,028	\$164,541
	Drilling Ban			
	2021-25	2025-30	2031-35	2036-40
Wyoming	\$2,740	\$4,913	\$7,073	\$8,952
New Mexico	\$3,141	\$3,710	\$4,787	\$6,113
Colorado	\$700	\$1,129	\$1,542	\$1,909
Utah	\$293	\$419	\$560	\$712
North Dakota	\$336	\$370	\$477	\$613
Montana	\$66	\$115	\$173	\$229
California	\$369	\$671	\$1,007	\$1,334
Alaska	\$456	\$1,573	\$7,471	\$13,845
Total Average	\$8,100	\$12,900	\$23,090	\$33,707
5-Year Total	\$40,501	\$64,499	\$115,449	\$168,535

<https://www.scribd.com/document/488632903/Final-Report-Federal-Leasing-Drilling-Ban-Policies-121420>

“Commit to reject and to veto all other false solutions proposes by the polluters”

- **“Market-based mechanisms** and emissions trading schemes,” including cap and trade.
- **“Technology options such as carbon capture** and storage.”
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<https://www.climatepresident.org/Legal-Authority-for-Presidential-Climate-Action.pdf>


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Environmentalists say protecting more Utah lands could help combat climate change, animal extinctions

By Graham Dudley, KSL.com | Posted - Feb. 4, 2021 at 4:09 p.m.

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SALT LAKE CITY — A [new report](#) issued Thursday by the Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance says passing America's Red Rock Wilderness Act, which would protect millions more acres of land in Utah, could help mitigate the impacts of climate change and stem the loss of animal species and biodiversity.

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In a [Thursday presentation](#) from the Wilderness Alliance, the Natural Resources Defense Council and the Sierra Club, SUWA board member Regina Lopez-Whiteskunk said America's Red Rock Wilderness Act "presents an extraordinary opportunity."

<https://www.ksl.com/article/50101307/environmentalists-say-protecting-more-utah-lands-could-help-combat-climate-change-animal-extinctions>

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February 4. 2021

<https://suwa.org/wild-utah-podcast-episode-21-the-grand-nexus-climate-30x30-americas-red-rock-wilderness-act/>



“The Red Rocks Act proposes to protect almost **9 million acres of wilderness quality land in Utah**. ...It is more efficient for everyone to **approach the landscape strategically** and yields far greater conservation benefits. **That is what the Biden Administration is doing by demonstrating its commitment to 30x30**. And **America’s Red Rock Wilderness Act provides a holistic and concrete step toward reaching that goal.**”

Utah Red Rocks Wilderness Act

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https://www.nrdc.org/experts/sharon-buccino/red-rocks-role-saving-nature?utm_source=twitter&utm_medium=organic&utm_campaign=Nature

The Bottom Line

The Biden Administration is taking Cold War era emergency actions to achieve the 30 By 30 agenda, including invoking the National Emergencies Act and the Defense Production Act to to end all fossil fuel activity and mandate a zero-emission green economy and infrastructure.

These actions threaten Utah's economy and self-governance, as well as erode American federalism designed to secure our diverse pursuit of happiness and strong national union.

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